

The UFO Enigma

SEPTEMBER 1992

COOL DAY - WARM FELLOWSHIP AT PICNIC

Thirty-four adults and several children attended the UFO Study Group Picnic, Sunday afternoon, June 21, 1992 at Love Park. Unusually cool weather did not reduce warm fellowship. Everyone appreciated the excellent "carry-in cuisine" and Frank Brown's delicious grilled hot dogs. Dinner conversation, as usual, revolved around comparisons of current UFO cases and the older classics. Many in attendance reminisced about the Lake Carlyle Boulder Access Picnics sponsored by Richard and Rosetta Holmes which attracted participants from several states and nationally recognized speakers. All sent their regards and blessings to Dick and Rosie whose health prevented them from attending.

President Joh Schroeder reviewed the 64 page booklet Unusual Personal Experiences, an analysis of the data from three national surveys conducted by the Roper Organization, printed and distributed free to 100,000 professional psychologists and psychiatrists nationally by the Bigelow Holding Corporation, 4640 South Eastern, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119. Extrapolations from three surveys of adults in cross-sectional samplings by John E. Mack, M.D., Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School; Ron Westrum, Ph.D., Professor of Sociology at Eastern Michigan University; David Michael Jacobs, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History at Temple University; John Carpenter, a Psychiatric Therapist in Springfield, MO; and Budd Hopkins, an artist, author and experienced UFO researcher in New York City, aimed at convincing health care professionals that UFO

abductees had really experienced what they were describing and that their trauma should be treated similarly to Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome in the military.

Limobus Survey respondents were asked to recall if any of 11 experiences happened to them more than twice, once or twice, or never:

1. Seeing a ghost
2. Feeling as if you left your body
3. Seeing a UFO
4. Waking up paralyzed with a sense of a strange person or presence of something else in the room
5. Feeling as though you were actually flying through the air although you didn't know how or why
6. Hearing or seeing the word TRONDANT and knowing it has a secret meaning for you
7. Experiencing a time of an hour or more, in which you were apparently lost, but you could not remember why or where you were
8. Seeing unusual lights or balls of light in a room without knowing what was causing them or where they came from
9. Finding puzzling scars on your body and neither you nor anyone else remembering how or where you received them
10. Having seen, either as a child or an adult, a terrifying figure in your bedroom, closet or somewhere else, and
11. Having vivid dreams about UFOs

Those who felt that THRONDANT (a non-word) had secret meaning for them were eliminated. With a very low plus or minus 1.4% margin of sampling error, the UFO abduction profile (yes answers to 4 or more key symptomatic questions) projects to experiences by 3,700,000 adult U.S. citizens excluding residents

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of Hawaii and Alaska. 33,300,000 saw a UFO, 24,050,000 lost an hour or more, 18,500,000 felt that they were flying but didn't know how or why, and 14,800,000 found puzzling scars.

Other general data linkages may be of interest. Young adults recalled more occurrences of the key experiences than did Senior Citizens. Respondents considered politically and socially active averaged 1 to 10 percent higher on key questions. About 10% of the population, this group averaged \$10,000 more annual income, 43% are college graduates, and are considered trend setters by those in marketing. Again, this group rated more duplicated experiences.

We thank Robert Bigelow for having underwritten the survey, funded its experts and their analysis, paid for publication and provided a series of workshops for health professionals in various parts of the country. Write Bigelow Holding Corporation if you are a professional counselor or health care worker interested in attending a regional workshop. You will be informed of time, place and possible cost.

If, however, you are interested in the data and interpretive essays in Unusual Personal Experiences, contact Alex Horvat. Four copies of the survey report are in the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis Library.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETS

The Board of Directors for the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, Inc. met on August 10. Among the proposals approved at the meeting were the selection of the present slate of officers for re-election in the coming term, an increase in membership dues to \$10 per year, and a list of topics and possible speakers for the upcoming "2nd Sunday" meetings. (For more information, see following story.)

The UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, Inc. will hold its twenty-third annual meeting at 2 p.m., Sept. 13 at Tyler Street Presbyterian Church Hall, Russell at Spring Streets (west of South Grand Ave.) in St. Louis. Tom Bellos will be the featured speaker, addressing attendees on "The Betty and Barney Hill Abduction: The Case Which Science Touched." Tom will also show slides as part of his professional analysis of this classic UFO investigation. The election of officers and the submission of the 1992-93 program schedule will also be on the agenda. For more information or to suggest program topics, phone John E. Schroeder, 532-3058.

TOMEY SPEAKS IN COLLINSVILLE

On Saturday, August 22, Southern Illinois MUFON hosted an evening lecture with Debbie Tomey. Debbie, known also as Kathie Davis, was the subject of the book Intruders by Budd Hopkins and the recent mini series of the same name.

The audience heard first hand accounts of Debbie's abduction/alien experiences. Debbie shared her insight and feelings as to the possible purpose of abductions, the extent to which it has impacted her family and also what her experiences have taught her and come to mean to her personally. Debbie related her favorable opinions about the recent movie and explained her involvement with the project.

The 200+ in attendance took full advantage of the question and answer session that followed. It was an entertaining and thought-provoking speech.

Southern Illinois' September meeting will be George Wingfield's lecture and slide show on the crop circle/pictogram phenomenon. The lecture will be held on Thursday, September 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the JC Penney Auditorium on the UMSL campus. Admission is \$5. For more information, contact Forest Crawford at 618-345-0554.

"THE HOLOGRAPHIC UNIVERSE"

By Michael Talbot
A review by Marge Myers

Is the universe itself a giant hologram? Can the human mind create such a grandiose illusion? Surprisingly enough, a number of reknowned scientists think this entirely possible. Talbot thinks evidence suggests our world and everything in it are projections from a level of reality so beyond our own it is literally beyond both space and time.

"The Holographic Universe" sets your mind to wondering if such a thing is actually possible. Some interesting test data by a number of reknowned scientists admittedly gives one pause as to how one has thought about our world in the past. In all fairness, this book admits that there are as many scientists who pooh pooh this theory as there are scientists who tout it as a real possibility. Although working independently and from two very different directions, David Bohm, University of London physicist, and Karl Pribram, Stanford neurophysiologist, both came to the conclusion that the universe itself could be a giant hologram, and that the human mind may be responsible, at least in part, for its creation. A former protege of Einstein, Bohm is a very respected quantum physicist. Because of his long dissatisfaction with the inability of standard theories to explain all of the phenomena encountered in quantum physics, he became convinced of the holographic nature of the universe.

Pribram felt that standard theories were a failure when it came to explaining various neurophysiological aspects of the brain. While grappling with the question of where memories are stored in the brain, Pribram became convinced of his holographic theory of the universe. At that time, it was theorized that a specific location in the brain cells was reserved for memories, and such memory traces were called "engrams." Many scientists believed engrams would eventually be found but it was like looking for a needle in the proverbial haystack because no one knew exactly what an engram consisted of. Was it a special kind of molecule or perhaps a neuron?

Pribram went to work in 1946 with famous neuropsychologist Karl Lashly at the Yerkes Laboratory of Primate Biology. Lashley had been meticulously researching memory for 30 years and his research seemed to negate the theory of engrams existing in the brain. Lashley trained rats to run a maze and would surgically remove a portion of the brain and retest the rat in the maze. No matter what portion of the brain he cut out, the memory of how to run the maze remained. Pribram was astounded and wondered how the brain could accomplish this. He concluded that memories were distributed throughout the brain as a whole rather than at specific brain sites, thus challenging the engram theory. His belief in the holographic nature of the universe grew. Indiana University's biologist Paul Pietsch strong disbelieved Pribram's theories that memories do not have any specific location in the brain. In previous studies it was learned that a salamander can have its brain removed without killing it, and it would remain in a stupor until its brain was restored. Pietsch determined to prove Pribram wrong. After a series of tests on salamanders, including removing and then replacing their brains in reverse positions from normal (even going so far as to put them back in upside down), he was greatly surprised to see that the salamander quickly resumed normal feeding once its brain was put back, regardless of the position. Pietsch was converted to Pribram's belief regarding the brain and wrote a book called "Shufflebrain" in which he detailed his experiments.

In the mid 1960s, after reading an article in the "Scientific American" regarding the construction of the first hologram, Pribram felt this provided an answer to the puzzles he had been wrestling with for so long. The holographic model seemed to explain numerous paranormal and mystical experiences, including NDEs archetypal experiences, photographic memory, encounters with the collective unconscious, synchronicities, telepathy, precognition, phenomena experienced while in an altered state of consciousness and possibly even psychokinesis.

An especially interesting aspect of holograms is that every portion of the holographic film contains all the information to create a whole image. For example, if a piece of holographic film containing the image of an apple is cut in half and then illuminated by a laser, the entire image of the apple is found in each half of the film. If divided again and again, a whole apple is still evident in each segment, though images tend to get a bit hazier as portions get smaller. Pribram was very interested in this because he theorized that if every portion of holographic film contained all the information to create a whole image, it might be possible for every part of the brain to contain all the information necessary to recall a whole memory. Holography might also explain how our brain can store so much in so little space. Although convinced that his theory was correct he was bothered by one question: If the picture of reality in our brains is not a picture at all but a hologram, then what is it a hologram of? If taken to its logical conclusion, the theory of the holographic brain opened the door to the possibility that objective reality may not exist at all, at least not as we always believed it existed.

The holographic mind seems to have enormous control over our physical body, according to numerous researchers. This control is not only in matters of health, but imagery also affects physical and athletic performance. Soviet scientists and researchers have done extensive work in the relationship between imagery and actual physical performance. According to Dr. Charles A. Garfield, former NASA researcher and current President of the Performance Sciences Institute in Berkeley, CA, many Soviet athletic programs use sophisticated imaging techniques as a precursor in the process of generating neuromuscular impulses in their athletes. Garfield believes these are holographic images that function primarily at the subliminal level.

Stanislav Grof, Chief of Psychiatric Research at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center and Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Johns Hopkins University

School of Medicine, feels that only a holographic model of the brain can satisfactorily explain such things as archetypal experiences, encounters with the collective unconscious and unusual phenomena experienced during altered states of consciousness and that existing neurophysiological models of the brain are totally inadequate. He concludes that perhaps the world is not necessarily as solid as we perceive it to be.

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PARAPSYCHOLOGY GROUP VIEW VIDEOS

The Parapsychology Committee will view two TV films dealing with psychic phenomena at their 7:30 p.m. meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 16 at John and Eleanor Schroeder's home, 4991 Miami St., two blocks West of Kingshighway, off Oleatha Street. Personal psychic events and general news on parapsychology will also be shared. For more information on these meetings the third Wednesday of every month (except July and August) phone John or Eleanor Schroeder, 352-3058. The public is invited.

ILLINOIS MUFON
(Mutual UFO Network)



PRESENTS :

GEORGE WINGFIELD

on: THE CROP CIRCLE ENIGMA

George Wingfield has recently been on a lecture tour of the United States presenting his findings to many groups, including the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., Having obtained advanced degrees at Dublin University, Mr. Wingfield became an astronomer at the Royal Greenwich Observatory, Herstmonceux, before joining IBM - UK as a systems engineer and computer analyst. Wingfield now researches the Circles full time and is a major contributor to various books such as The Crop Circle Enigma, Crop Circles, Harbingers of World Change, and to publications such as The Cereologist, and The Circular of which he is now editor. George has lectured extensively in the U.S.A., in England, and Germany and has appeared on T.V. and radio in these countries.

Thursday, September 24, 1992
7:30 P.M.

University of Missouri - St. Louis
J.C. Penny Continuing Education Bldg.
(See map on reverse side)

Admission: \$5.00 at the door

Info Hotline: Forest Crawford
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Where: University Plaza Ballroom, Springfield, Missouri

<p>Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abduction Research Crop Circles: Scientific Findings Crashed Saucers Animal Mutilations & Aliens UFO Photo Analyses Area 51 & Government Secrecy Monuments on Mars Project Intense Encounters: Puerto Rico Correlations & Synchronicities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budd Hopkins - author, hypnotist George Wingfield - England Stanton Friedman - nuclear physicist Linda Howe - author, TV producer Bruce Maccabee - Navy physicist George Knapp- KLAS-TV Harry Jordan - scientist Jorge Martin & Mr. Amaury Forest Crawford - researcher
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Cost: \$35 per person for the entire conference -- paid by September 12, 1992
\$40 per person after September 12, 1992 and at the door

Rooms: Special rates (\$63.50) are available in a reserved block of rooms at the University Plaza Holiday Inn. Call (417) 864-7333 and tell them you are with the UFO Conference. Information regarding restaurants and other hotels will be sent upon receipt of this registration form.

Further Information : Call (417) 882-6847 or write to address below.

Detach and mail this portion with your check or money order to:

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AN EDITORIAL -
ONE MAN'S VIEW OF MARSHALL BARNES
by John E. Schroeder

Marshall Barnes is a genius. In his August 15 speech to about 26 UFO buffs at the Moorings Restaurant, Lake St. Louis, he proved an eloquent speaker. His vocabulary was exquisitely accurate. His concepts and his video excerpts were mind-bending. His creatively perceptive intuitions about "Men in Black" mirrored the reality revealed by later minimal research. He held his audience spellbound for two hours.

But who is Marshall Barnes? How did he get Missouri MUFON and UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, Inc. sponsorship for his "UFO Information Week" presentation? What is he after? Who really benefited?

Marshall Barnes possesses a well-deserved reputation as a creative producer of fast-cut, fast-paced videos. His conflicting images intimate an abstruse story line. Moved by the rock music, the audience sees more than can be perceived and puzzles to interiorize the message much longer than the video itself lasts. Powerful! Masterful use of projecting a revolutionary message without resorting to subliminal captions.

But--in my opinion--Marshall Barnes came to St. Louis on his own initiative at his own suggestion under false pretenses. He was to give the premiere showing of his "Men in Black" documentary. There was a lot of Marshall Barnes lecture but less than two minutes of a disguised victim of men in black discussing his ordeal and his thoughts about them. (This from a proposed, still-to-be-funded documentary about Men in Black.)

He, further, promised to develop his own publicity. There was none. The audience came as the result of word-of-mouth invitation from local UFO buffs' phone chains. Then those present found themselves watching a self-aggrandizing video

being made of Marshall Barnes in action as demagogic communicator, and watched as their reactions were videotaped. How can an edited version of that tape benefit Marshall Barnes? The sponsorship of 2 legitimate UFO groups can authenticate Barnes' claim to the the potential producer of a serious Men in Black documentary. If the tape is used to suggest MUFON's endorsement of Barnes' project, he will benefit from overt fraud and deception.

But would this mentally superior young man do such a thing? That would be a clearly thought out and carefully staged lie!

Marshall Barnes answered that in his manipulative monologue. He touted the Men in Black as having more than advanced technology to offer humanity. Their mental acuity tuned exclusively to their proposed action (good or bad) was held up as an ideal. Barnes proposed Hannibal Lecter, vicious sociopathic killer from "Silence of the Lambs" as a hero to the evolving human race.

Barnes extolled those who, with perfectly clear minds and conscienceless intent could do the most unselfish, eleemosynary act; and with the same perfectly clear minds uninhibited by conscience could--on the other end of the scale--do the most heinous acts as "the highest development of human evolution." That's madness! To equate good and evil as totally acceptable, both to be equally integrated without qualms of conscience into man's experience, is demonic.

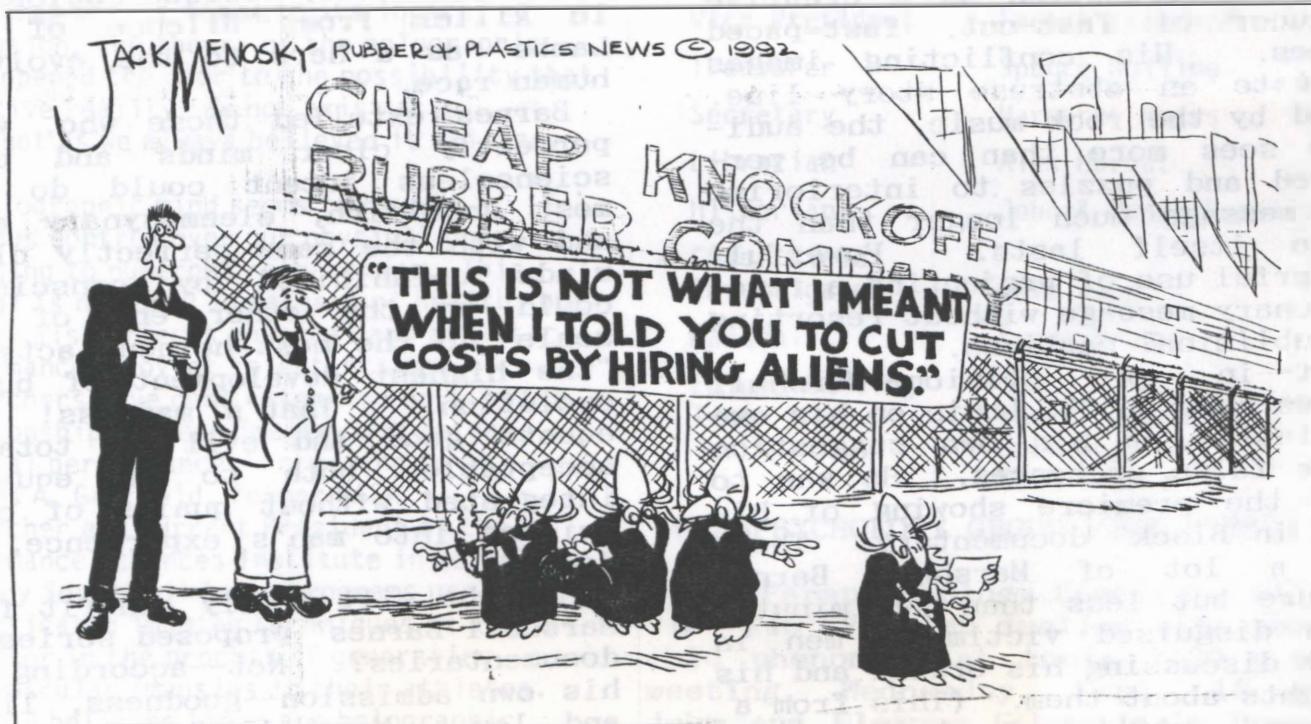
And who will really benefit from Marshall Barnes' proposed series of documentaries? Not--according to his own admission--goodness, light and law. Marshall Barnes stated that he would use his obvious genius as a film-maker to manipulate minds, to convince young people through hypnotic rock music and surreal images that right and wrong, the sublime and the satanic, will be equally legitimate choices to the superior master mind.

Marshall Barnes holds potential victims in his power. We, who hold truth inviolable, who consider life precious, who want justice done will be the victims of men whose minds are perverted--spellbinding speakers who echo the Father of Lies. We will be the victims and our society will be lost unless we defy their false premises and deny them our financial support, or our public platform or our apparent approval.

In my opinion, Marshall Barnes' radical opinions tarnished UFOlogy and did a lot to diminish "UFO Information Week."

NOTE: This editorial is not to be interpreted as the official position of the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis, Inc. in regards to Mr. Barnes and his work. At the same time, we wish to make it clear that the Study Group in no way supports Mr. Barnes or endorses his work, and any connection made between the Study Group and Mr. Barnes' work would, at best, be erroneous.

As was stated in the editorial, Barnes is a expert filmmaker and producer of music videos. His social and philosophical ideas are varied and controversial. From his presentation, however, it is uncertain whether he could be considered as having an "experts" information on men in black or UFOlogy in general.



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Book Report: ALIEN LIAISON by Timothy Good

I have just finished reading Timothy Good's ALIEN LIAISON and I've come away with some disappointment. The source of this feeling wells up from the fact that in my estimation, Good has chosen in this book, to assign a credibility stamp on the subjects he covers. Good goes to length into subject matter from the works of Linda Mulfon-Howe-animal mutilations, Bob Lazar-alien space craft I have known, Bud Hopkins-abductions, and last but not least, John Lear. About the latter, John Lear, it seems to me that Good is letting John off the hook for the outrageous things he said in the write up on the MJ-12 group activities-if he wrote it(?). ALIEN LIAISON is a hodge-podge of many of the books and papers we have read over the past few years and the thing that disturbs me most is that the tone is such that I got the impression that Good wants us to believe the accounts he outlines without really saying that they are the truth. If this last statement is true, then we as the ultimate judges must ask if Good is proceeding from a position of credulity? In the case of Bob Lazar, he is allowed to use data pertaining to the use of element 115 and we are to believe that we have a 500 pound chunk at our disposal and Lazar took some home to test it. Based on the knowledge one can get from reading THE ELEMENTS BEYOND URANIUM BY Glenn Seaborg (NOBEL LAUREATE) and Walter Loveland(1990, Wiley Interscience), if we have this element someone should tell the authors because the elements above 114 are said to have a half-life measured in microseconds(ms). In the synthesis of these elements, the authors say that the nemesis is the survival of the elements which are said to be in parts-per-billion or less, through competition with fission (p. 324). In other words, they are so unstable they fission away shortly after they are generated. It is possible however, that the alien scientists we read of, have made discoveries that would make our practitioners experiments pertaining to the synthesis of these elements, pale in the light of their advanced science. But to return, the whole subject of Bob Lazar troubles me. We don't seem to be able to find out anything about where he was educated. In his TV appearance Bob says that he

has come forward because all records relating to his education are disappearing. The whole question of his education is germane only because he brought it up. Good gives Lazar a good portion in the book and I gained more insight into Lazar's activities (if they are the truth) as it relates to some of his activities while employed by the government. In the taped videos dealing with Bob that appeared on KLAS-TV (I wonder if Phil Klass had anything to do with this-just a joke) in Las Vegas, the host qualified Lazar by saying that they had done enough research into his background that they believe that he worked at the government site. One item shown as evidence is a telephone directory from the government site (area 51) with a Robert Lazar listing. Good does give us a litany of estimable people who after talking to him, believe he is basically telling the truth. If Good had only used more of that data to qualify Lazar to the readers, I possibly would have less reservations about him. One question I would like answered is, John Lear and Bob Lazar were brought together by Gene Huff, a realestate appraiser and friend of Lear. Further, we learn that John Lear then brought Lazar and TV station KLAS together-how strange-has anyone investigated Huff? I get the distinct impression from what I read, that Bob is a "spin doctor" brought forward at this moment in time to cause confusion and spread disinformation-he may not even be aware that he is being used (speculatively speaking). I'm further led to this conclusion based on the activities Good attributes to Lazar while still employed by the government and after separation. In the final analysis, I don't know what to believe but I know what I'm supposed to believe in Good's ALIEN LIAISON.

All the things I loved about ABOVE TOP SECRET are in my estimation, missing from ALIEN LIAISON. In ABOVE TOP SECRET he gave us a compendium of the major extraterrestrial accounts reported from the record from around the world. He gives dates, sometimes names, locations, and what was reported to have happened. The book was well received and it became a best seller. This book lacks the caution of ABOVE TOP SECRET and at a cost of thirty dollars for the hard back copy, ALIEN LIAISON, I believe, people will be disappointed. --Tom Bellos

LOCAL MEETINGS

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UFO STUDY GROUP OF GREATER ST. LOUIS

Meets the second Sunday of each month (Sept. 13) at 2 p.m. at the Tyler Place Presbyterian Church Hall, 2109 S. Spring at Russell in St. Louis.

For information call John Schroeder, President, at 352-3058.

PARAPSYCHOLOGY COMMITTEE

Meets the third Wednesday of each month (Sept. 16) at 7:30 p.m. at 4991 Miami Street in St. Louis.

For directions or more information call Walter Palmer, Chairman, at 771-0173.

ST. CHARLES UFO RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Meets the third Tuesday of each month (Sept. 15) at 7:30 p.m. at the American Roadhouse Restaurant in St. Charles (the old Ponderosa at Duchesne and West Clay).

For directions or more information, contact Bruce Widaman, Chairman, at 946-1394.

MUTUAL UFO NETWORK OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Meets the fourth Thursday of each month 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. at the Ponderosa Steak House in Collinsville, IL. Take Hwy 70 to Hwy 157. Go north on 157 to Eastport Plaza Drive and turn left. Ponderosa is down on the right.

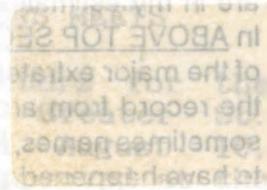
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